

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
Plaintiff,
v.

01 OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ (08/05/1947),
02 TERESA JACOBO (01/30/1958),
03 GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL (12/02/1949),
04 GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR (01/23/1950),
05 VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO (12/23/1958), and
06 LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA (02/15/1961)

Defendant(s).

CASE NO. BA376025

***THIRD AMENDED
INFORMATION***

Arraignment Hearing
Date: 03/18/2011
Department: CEN 100

INFORMATION
SUMMARY

Ct. No.	Charge	Charge Range	Defendant	Special Allegation	Alleg. Effect
1	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +1 YR County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
2	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +1 YR County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
3	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP +1 YR County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
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5	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU	PC 12022.6(A)(2)	+2 Yrs County Jail

			JACOBO, TERESA	PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1 YR County Jail PSP
			BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
6	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU	PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1 YR County Jail PSP
			BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
7	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU	PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP +2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1 YR County Jail PSP
			BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
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			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
			COLE, GEORGE WENDELL JR	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1 YR County Jail PSP
			BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs County Jail PSP
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			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	PSP +2 Yrs.
			BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	PSP +2 Yrs.

		ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1Yr. PSP	
10	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
11	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
12	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
13	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
14	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU JACOBO, TERESA	PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP

		MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP	
15	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
16	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) BELLO, VICTOR ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
17	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
18	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP
19	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU PC 12022.6(A)(2) JACOBO, TERESA PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2) PC 1203.045(A) MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY PC 1203.045(A) ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +2 Yrs. PSP +1Yr. PSP

20	PC 424(A)	2-3-4 State Prison	HERNANDEZ, OSCAR CANTU	PC 12022.6(A)(2)	+2 Yrs.
			JACOBO, TERESA	PC 1203.045(A) PC 12022.6(A)(2)	PSP +2 Yrs.
			MIRABAL, GEORGE GREGORY	PC 1203.045(A)	PSP
			ARTIGA, LUIS ANTONIO	PC 12022.6(A)(1) PC 1203.045(A)	+1Yr. PSP

The District Attorney of the County of Los Angeles, by this Information alleges that:

COUNT 1

On or between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Community Housing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 2

On or between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Surplus Property Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 3

On or between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Solid Waste and Recycling Authority for the City of Bell.

COUNT 4

On or between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Public Financing Authority for the City of Bell.

COUNT 5

On or between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Community Housing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 6

On or between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Surplus Property Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 7

On or between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal, without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Solid Waste and Recycling Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 8

On or between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, GEORGE WENDELL COLE, JR and VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Public Financing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 9

On or between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Community Housing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 10

On or between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Surplus Property Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 11

On or between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Solid Waste and Recycling Authority for the City of Bell.



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COUNT 12

On or between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Public Financing Authority for the City of Bell.



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COUNT 13

On or between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Community Housing Authority for the City of Bell.



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COUNT 14

On or between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Surplus Property Authority for the City of Bell.



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COUNT 15

On or between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Solid Waste and Recycling Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 16

On or between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL, VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Public Financing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 17

On or between January 1, 2010 and July 26, 2010, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another., to wit, payment for services as a member of the Community Housing Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 18

On or between January 1, 2010 and July 26, 2010, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Surplus Property Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 19

On or between January 1, 2010 and July 26, 2010, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Solid Waste and Recycling Authority for the City of Bell.

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COUNT 20

On or between January 1, 2010 and July 26, 2010, in the County of Los Angeles, the crime of MISAPPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS, in violation of PENAL CODE SECTION 424(a), a Felony, was committed by OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, TERESA JACOBO, GEORGE GREGORY MIRABAL and LUIS ANTONIO ARTIGA, who being a person described in Penal Code section 424 as a public officer and a person charged with the receipt, safekeeping, transfer, and distribution of public moneys, did in a manner not incidental and minimal without authority of law, appropriate the same, and a portion thereof, to personal use and the use of another, to wit, payment for services as a member of the Public Financing Authority for the City of Bell.

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), TERESA JACOBO and OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, and GEORGE MIRABEL, with the intent to do so, took, damaged, and destroyed property of a value exceeding \$200,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 12022.6(a)(2).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1 through 8 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), GEORGE COLE, with the intent to do so, took, damaged and destroyed property of a value exceeding \$65,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 12022.6(a)(1).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, with the intent to do so, took, damaged, and destroyed property of a value exceeding \$200,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 12022.6(a)(2).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), LUIS ARTIGA, with the intent to do so, took, damaged, and destroyed property of a value exceeding \$65,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 12022.6(a)(1).

It is further alleged as to Counts 1, 2, 3 and 4, that the offenses were not discovered until after March 24, 2010. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office was conducting an investigation based upon a letter from Victor Bello alleging misconduct in the City of Bell. During the course of that investigation, District Attorney Investigators Maria Grimaldo and Michael Holguin conducted an interview of Victor Bello on March 24, 2010. Mr. Bello revealed that he was receiving approximately \$100,000 compensation for his duties at a food bank, which was

commensurate with the amount he was paid when he was a City Council member. On April 16, 2010, Head Deputy District Attorney David Demerjian made a public records act request seeking pay records for members of the Bell City Council. This request was sent to Rebecca Valdez. Investigative Grand Jury subpoenas were subsequently issued, and records demonstrating the compensation for council members were then received.

Prior to the interview of Mr. Bello, information that might have led to discovery of the crimes had not and could not have been reasonably discovered by law enforcement or a government official with supervisory authority for the following reasons:

1. An effort was made to keep salaries of the Bell City Council Members concealed from the public.

All public records act requests made to the City of Bell were brought to the attention of Bell's Chief Administrative Officer, Robert Rizzo. In September 2008, a public records act request was made by a citizen to the City of Bell seeking the salaries of the Bell City Council Members. Robert Rizzo, directed Lourdes Garcia, the Director of Administrative Services, to create a memorandum falsely stating that Bell's mayor and council members made \$673 monthly. Bell City Clerk Rebecca Valdez caused this memorandum to be issued in response to the citizen's public records act request.

2. Lorenzo Velez was appointed to the position of Bell City Council Member on October 12, 2009.

Robert Rizzo directed that Mr. Velez be paid \$673 monthly, though other council members were receiving monthly compensation that amounted to over ten times this amount.

3. The crimes were committed by persons who would otherwise have been responsible for reporting them, specifically the past and present members of the Bell City Council.

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), TERESA JACOBO and OSCAR CANTU HERNANDEZ, and GEORGE MIRABEL, that the above offense is a theft of over \$100,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 1203.045(a).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1 through 8 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), GEORGE COLE, that the above offense is a theft of over \$100,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 1203.045(a).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), VICTOR ANTONIO BELLO, that the above offense is a theft of over \$100,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 1203.045(a).

It is further alleged as to count(s) 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 that in the commission of the above offense(s) the said defendant(s), LUIS ARTIGA, that the above offense is a theft of over \$100,000, within the meaning of Penal Code section 1203.045(a).

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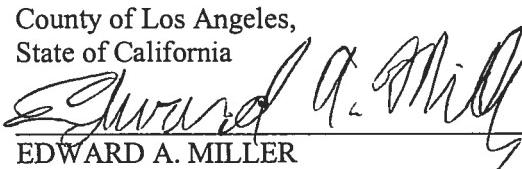
NOTICE: Conviction of this offense will require the defendant to provide DNA samples and print impressions pursuant to Penal Code sections 296 and 296.1. Willful refusal to provide the samples and impressions is a crime.

NOTICE: Any allegation making a defendant ineligible to serve a state prison sentence in the county jail shall not be subject to dismissal pursuant to Penal Code § 1385.

THIS INFORMATION CONSISTS OF 20 COUNT(S).

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Pursuant to Penal Code Section 1054.5(b), the People are hereby informally requesting that defense counsel provide discovery to the People as required by Penal Code Section 1054.3.